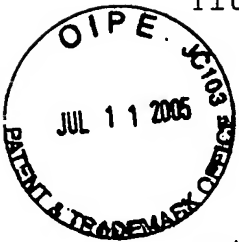


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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sirs:

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time for the patent application identified above. This petition is submitted within four months of the mailing date of the Official Action.

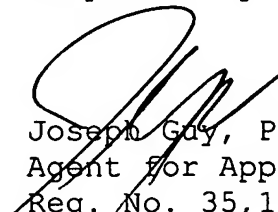
The Commissioner is authorized in the attached Fee Transmittal Form to charge the petition fee of \$120 to Deposit Order Account No. 08-0719.

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